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**AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.**  
LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES HENRY & CO., 4 Old Jewry, E.C.  
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**Arrivals.**  
Nov. 30, Imperatrice, French steamer, 1800, Macao, Suez, Aden, Galles, Singapore and Saigon, Oct. 28, Nov. 3, 14, 20 and 24, General.—MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES.

**Departures.**  
Dec. 1, China, for Singapore & Bombay, 1, Louisa, for Manila.

**Passengers.**  
ARRIVED.—Per Imperatrice, Miss Bertrand, Mrs. Preciado and 2 infants, Messrs. Forster, Petel, Preciado, Spitz, Tinsford, Cassius, Don Pedro Mayo y Tanez, Borrell, Carreras, Ramos et Azacraga, Gimenez, Penaz, Larrieu, Davison, Mrs. Spar, Naumann, Van der Heyde, Channon, Bies, Durandiere, Eliot, Humes, Rose, Miss Hudson, Moate, Biscuit, A. Minibatayo and servant, Rev. P. Tounin, Opitz, Columbia, Martin des Pallieres, Vigne, Roitjean, 7 Japanese and 118 Chinese.  
Per Mail steamer China, for Bombay &c. Mrs. Maria Rodriguez, Messrs. A. M. de Ory, R. Walsh, and Macoller.

**New Advertisement.**  
**NOTICE.**  
MR. G. J. H. SCHROEDER, is authorised to sign our Firm per procuration, from this date.  
SAIGON, November 14, 1868. tf  
**MESSAGERIES IMPERIALES COMPANY.**  
CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Company's S. S. "Imperatrice," are requested to send in their bills of lading for counter-signature, and to take delivery of their Goods before the 3rd instant, or they will be landed and stored at their risk and expense.  
C. BERTRAND, Principal Agent. Hongkong, December 1, 1868. de3

**FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.**  
The Steamship "KIANG TUNG," Captain PIEMAN, will leave for the above ports, on Sunday, the 8th inst., at 8 a.m.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPIRAIK & Co. Hongkong, December 1, 1868. de7

**VICTORIA REGATTA CLUB.**  
THE Ocean Race for the DOUGLAS CHALLENGE CUP will be sailed on Wednesday next, the 2nd December, starting from off the Government Godowns, Kowloon, at 7 a.m.  
The steamer White Cloud has been kindly placed at the disposal of the Committee and will accompany the Yachts; gentlemen desirous of making the trip in her, are requested to apply to the Undersigned for tickets.  
The White Cloud will leave the Steam-boat Co.'s Wharf at 6 a.m., precisely.  
A. McLEOD, Hon. Sec. V.R.C. Hongkong, November 30, 1868. de2

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Partnership hitherto existing between the undersigned LEONARD BARNES and EDMUND JOHN BOYD in the trade or business of Farriers and Livery Stable Keepers, Harness Makers, Coach Builders and undertakers under the firm of BARNES, BOYD & COMPANY, was this day dissolved by mutual consent, and in future the business will be carried on by the said LEONARD BARNES on his separate account, who will pay and receive all debts owing from and to the said partnership in the regular course of trade to this date inclusive. Witness our hands this 30th day of November, A.D. 1868.  
E. J. BOYD, L. C. BARNES. Hongkong, November 30, 1868. de7

**TO LET.**  
HOSE two desirable Residences, No. 2 and 3, West Terrace, Cairns Road, centrally situated and commanding a fine view.  
For terms, apply to THOS. W. BARRINGTON, 53, Wyndham Street. Hongkong, November 30, 1868. 16de

**NOTICE.**  
ESTATE OF DENT AND CO.  
A FIRST DIVIDEND of Ten per centum upon the amount of all claims admitted by the Trustees, will be paid on the 1st January next.  
On application to the undersigned, at the office of the Trustees, Padder's Hill, Creditors will be furnished with warrants signed by the Trustees which will be payable on presentation at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.  
By order of the Trustees, E. WHEELEY, Hongkong, November 28, 1868. 161

**New Advertisements.**  
**SEVENTY-THIRD RELIEF FUND.**  
(IN AID OF FAMILIES OF DECEASED SOLDIERS.)  
THE Fourth Entertainment in aid of the above will take place in the Recreation Room, North Barracks, **This Evening, Dec. 1st, 1868.**

**Part I.**  
OVERBURY, "Fredonia," Weber. By the Band of the Regiment.  
**Part II.**  
A Reading by Private W. N. NEEDHAM, 73rd Regiment.  
"Richard Cour de Leon."  
**Part III.**  
SONG, W. P. THACKWELL, Esq., 73rd Regt.  
"It's just as well to take things in a quiet sort of way."  
**Part IV.**  
REGITATION, "Hohen Linden," Pte. W. N. NEEDHAM, 73rd Regiment.  
**Part V.**  
Reading by GEORGE LEWIS CUMING, Esq., 73rd Regiment.  
"The Shooting Scene," from Pickwick.  
**Part VI.**  
SALUTATION, "Un Ballo in Mascara," by the Band.  
**Part VII.**  
Air from Trovatore, "Per me ora Fatata," by H. J. HARRISON, Esq., 73rd Regt. (In Character).

Admission: Soldiers and their Families, 4 cents; Non-commissioned Officers, 6 cents; Officers, 8 cents; Civilians, \$1. Doors open at 8.30; Reading to commence at 9 o'clock.—Tickets to be had from the Colour Sergeants of companies, from Sergt. Noble, Officers' Mess, and from Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co.

**HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
NOTICE is hereby given that the Transfer of BOOKS of this Company will be closed from the 5th to the 14th day of December (both days included), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.  
A. NEWTON, Manager. Hongkong, November 28, 1868. de14

**HONGKONG HOTEL, LIMITED.**  
THIS HOTEL will be conducted under a new arrangement commencing on the 1st of December. The Charges for Board will remain as follow:—  
Board, \$45 a month. Tiffin only, \$15 a month. Dinners only, \$30 a month. One Breakfast or one Tiffin, 80 cents. One Dinner, \$1.25.  
There is an excellent assortment of wines for sale at moderate prices.  
The Charges for Lodging will be very considerably reduced. Rooms are offered to monthly lodgers at \$25, \$30, \$35, \$40, or \$45, a month.  
Occasional Visitors are charged \$4 a day for their Rooms with or without board. There is an ample supply of Bathrooms, and Gas is laid on throughout the house.  
Hongkong, November 28, 1868. tf

**HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
NOTICE is hereby given that a GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Company's Hotel, Queen's Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 29th December, 1868, at half-past Two P.M., to receive the Report and Accounts and elect Directors for the ensuing year.  
At the conclusion of the above Meeting an Extraordinary Meeting will be held to consider the advisability of altering No. 39 of the Articles of Association.  
By Order of the Board of Directors, C. LANGDON DAVIES, Secretary. Hongkong, November 28, 1868. de29

**JUST RECEIVED.**  
A SMALL Invoice of Spanish OLIVES, \$5 per dozen bottles.  
Also, FRENCH BUTTER, in 6 lb. tins, each \$3.  
G. DUBOST & Co. Hongkong, November 28, 1868. 28d

**HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.**  
THE Half-yearly General Meeting of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held at CLUB CHAMBERS on MONDAY, the 7th December, at 2.30 P.M.  
By order J. W. WOOD, Secretary. Hongkong, November 27, 1868. de3

**HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.**  
**NOTICE.**  
ALL Orders for Goods Supplied to or work done for the Hotel must be signed by the Secretary of the Company. The Company will not undertake to pay for any Goods Supplied without such Order.  
By order of the Board of Directors, C. LANGDON DAVIES, Secretary. Hongkong, November 27, 1868. tf

**New Advertisements.**  
**SEALED TENDERS** (in duplicate) marked outside "Tenders for Flour," will be received by the undersigned until Noon on Wednesday, the 9th December, 1868, from persons willing to contract for the supply of such quantities of American and Australian Flour, as may be required for the use of Her Majesty's Troops in China and Japan, for the period from 1st April 1869 to 31st March 1870.  
The Flour to be either extra superfine American in barrels of 100 lbs. each, or best seconds Australian in bags of 200 lbs. each, and is to be guaranteed to keep sound for three months after delivery.  
The Tenders to state the price per barrel or bag; approved security will be required for the due fulfilment of the Contract. Conditions of Contract may be seen and any further information obtained on application at this office.  
REDMOND UNIAKKE, Dep. Commis. Gen. Controller's Office Commissariat, Hongkong, November 28, 1868. de9

**LOST.**  
THIS morning, between Messrs. SUMNER & Co.'s, along the Praya to the Macao Steamer and back through Queen's Road, a Pocket BOOK, containing a \$25 and a 5 Dollar Note, as also a Charter-party of the British barque "Marion." A Reward will be paid on returning the same to Messrs. SUMNER & Co.  
Hongkong, November 21, 1868.

**THE HARBOUR YACHT RACE.**  
LOYD & Co. have on sale "INSTANTANEOUS PHOTOGRAPHY" at the Races yesterday in five different positions.  
62, Queen's Road. Hongkong, November 25, 1868. de25

**NOTICE.**  
THE Office of the WANCHI STEAM BAKERY is REMOVED to the Store of Messrs. MACLEWEN & Co., where all orders addressed "WANCHI STEAM BAKERY" will receive prompt attention. Fancy BISCUIT and CAKE constantly on hand.  
L. P. WARD, Proprietor. Hongkong, September 3, 1868. de3

**NOTICE.**  
THE Undersigned having PURCHASED the interest of the late J. H. BAKER in the BAKERY, begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and Ship Masters that he is prepared to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD in various forms, to any part of the Colony.  
A Ship BREAD of best quality and at low rates constantly on hand or baked in quantities at short notice.  
Also Water, Butter, Soda and Sugar BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.  
Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY, CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Sale-ratus and Cream TARTAR.  
FLOUR of best Brands constantly on hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or Pound.  
CAKE of all kinds baked to order.  
The above is under the Superintendence of Mr. JONATHAN PARSONS, and all orders forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at Messrs. MACLEWEN & Co.'s will receive prompt attention.  
L. P. WARD. Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

**Auctions.**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
American Steamer "YUNG HAI AN."  
THE Undersigned has received instructions from Messrs. RUSSELL & Co., to sell the above steamer "Yung Hai An" at Public Auction, on **SATURDAY,** the Fifth day of December next, at Noon, (on board)—up to which time she will be open to an examination from intending Purchasers.  
The Steamer is 227 feet long by 30 feet beam, with 24 feet depth of hold. She was built in Glasgow, of the best Iron, and is as sound as when launched. Her Engines, by Napier, are of 300 horse-power, nominal, and she was fitted last year with two new Boilers of an approved Pattern. She carries, in addition to her coals, 10,000 Piculs dead weight, or 900 Tons measurement Goods.  
She has on deck 4 handsome Saloon, with accommodation for 30 first class Passengers, arranged with every modern convenience, and comfortable Cabins for second class Passengers forward. Her between-decks are lofty and well adapted for the transport of Troops or Native Passengers.  
The Inventory can be seen and all other particulars, either on board or at the Office of the Undersigned.  
There will also be sold on Board separately about 125 tons of Pig Iron Kettle-plate.  
Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.  
And all expenses of transfer to be borne by the purchaser. The steamer as she lies in this harbour, with all faults and errors of description whatsoever, to be at the purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.  
C. D. WILLIAMS, Hongkong, November 30, 1868. de3

**Auctions.**  
**PUBLIC AUCTION.**  
THE Undersigned will sell by order of the French Consul by Public Auction, on **WEDNESDAY,** the 2nd December, 1868, at Noon, at the Godowns, Union Dock, Kowloon, 70 piculs Yellow Sheathing Metal.  
6 Composition Nails.  
Belonging to the French ship "FAUVE ROUGE."  
Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.  
LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. Hongkong, November 30, 1868. 2de

**SOLD BY AUCTION,** at the NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, on **TUESDAY,** the 9th February, 1869, (unless previously disposed of by private agreement).  
The Inventory of 233 tons and 60 lb. power. The Drums, viz:—  
The following are the articles to be sold with each vessel, viz:—  
With the "Hardy."  
Hull complete.  
No masts or yards.  
2 Anchors.  
1124 Fathoms Cable.  
Awnings complete, with Iron Stanchions.  
Davits for 2 Boats.  
1 Dugy, 14 feet.  
4 Bars and (Spar).  
2 Down-ton's Pumps (1 complete).  
A pair of 30 Horse Power high pressure engines by Messrs. MAULSLEY, SONS and FIELD, in fair working order. A set of 3 boilers, considerably worn but repairable.  
Spare Gear.  
Cylinder Cover, ... 1 in No.  
Cross Head, ... 1 "  
Revolving Ring, ... 1 "  
Piston and Rod, ... 1 "  
Expeller (brass), ... 1 "  
Rod connecting complete, 1 "  
Feed pump rod, ... 1 "  
Bligs do. do. ... 1 "  
Slide do. do. ... 1 "  
Guide blocks, ... 2 "

**FOR LONDON.**  
(Via Singapore, Penang and Mauritius.)  
The Ocean S. S. Co.'s Str. "AJAX,"  
Ride, Master, expected from Shanghai about the 4th proximo, will be despatched hence on or about the 6th proximo.  
Rate of Freight for Oil \$4 10/ per ton of 40 feet.  
Camphors do., \$4 per ton of 40 feet.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to BIRLEY & Co. Hongkong, November 28, 1868. de7

**FOR YOKOHAMA DIRECT.**  
The A 1 Russian steamship "SHATELSBURY,"  
Captain ATKINSON, will meet with quick despatch for the above port.  
For Freight, &c., apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, November 12, 1868. tf.

**FOR MADRAS DIRECT.**  
The "NAWORTH CASTLE,"  
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And E. R. BELLING, Esq.  
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Hongkong, ... VICTOR KRESSES, Esq. Chief Manager.  
Shanghai, ... DAVID MACLEWEN, Esq. London Bankers.—London and County Bank.

**HONGKONG INTEREST ALLOWED.**  
ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.  
On Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 3 " " " "  
" 12 " 4 " " " "  
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.  
Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.  
VICTOR KRESSES, Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, June 17, 1868.

**PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.**  
THROUGH U. S. MAIL LINE TO NEW YORK. TEAMERS of this line will be despatched as follows:—  
Great Republic, on or about Aug. 15. Japan, " " Sept. 15. China, " " Oct. 15. Great Republic, " " Nov. 15. Costa Rica will leave Shanghai on or about same date, connecting at Yokohama with above-named steamers.  
Passengers ticketed through to California, Mexico, Central and South America, the Atlantic States, and to England or France, both via New York and by lines from Panama and Aspinwall.  
Return tickets issued at a reduction of 10% upon the whole amount for the round voyage.  
Connections are made at Panama with Steam Lines upon the West Coast of Central and South America, at Aspinwall with the "Royal West India Mail Line," West India and Pacific Steam-ship Company, (Limited) and the "French Transatlantic Company." And at New York, with the various lines to Europe. Tickets issued for the following Steam-ship Lines: O'Connell, Inman, National, General Transatlantic Co., New York and Havre Steam-ship Co., New York and Bremen Steam-ship Co., and North German Lloyd's.  
Favorable arrangements have been made for through passengers and freight to America, from Calcutta, Penang and Singapore, and from Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.  
Through Bills of Lading given for Ports of Mexico and on the West Coast of Central and South America to as far as Valparaiso, to New York, Liverpool, Southampton and St. Nazaire, France.  
Freight to United States payable in advance in Mexican Dollars, or on delivery in American Gold Coin with 8 per cent additional at shipper's option.  
For further information, apply at the Agency of the Company, Praya West. GEORGE BOWMAN, Agent. (Incorporated in New York.)

**FOR NEW YORK.**  
The A 1 British ship "LOUISA,"  
Capt. LANSDOWN, will load here, and at Whampoa, and have quick despatch for the above port.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

**FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.**  
The A 1 British ship "ROSLIN CASTLE,"  
Jas. Alexander, Master, of 644 tons Register.  
For particulars, apply to DOUGLAS LAPIRAIK & Co. Hongkong, November 21, 1868. de21

**FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.**  
The first class French ship "LA PLATA,"  
Jas. John, Master, of 444 tons register.  
For particulars, apply to FREDERIC DEGENAER. Hongkong, November 2, 1868.

**NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.**  
"STANLEY" FROM SUDBERLAND.  
CONSIGNEES of Coals by the above named Vessel are requested to communicate at once with the Undersigned.  
ARNOLD KAREERG & Co. Hongkong, November 25, 1868. de2

**"WHITEHALL" FROM LONDON.**  
THE above named vessel having arrived in harbour, Consignees of Cargo, are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.  
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, November 23, 1868. tf

THE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.  
Ex "Dimai," 7th January, 1868. RT 531. 1 Case Paper.  
Ex "Hoogly," 31st October, 1868. VO 827. 1 " Arms.  
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NOTICE.  
MR. JOHN ALEXANDER SANDILANDS is authorized to sign our firm per procuration.  
R. MCGREGOR & Co. Hongkong, November 12, 1868. tf

**NOTICE.**  
WE have this day established a Branch of our Firm at HIOGO and OSACKA. WACHTEL'S GROSS & Co. Nagasaki, September 20, 1868. 16de

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE this day established myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE ADJUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT. C. LANGDON DAVIES. Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM NELSON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last.  
Mr. THOMAS PIM, Mr. WILLIAM NISBET OLMSTED and Mr. H. SEYMOUR GRAY are authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong and China from this date.  
OLYPHANT & Co. Hongkong, October 8, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steam-ship Company at this Port.  
S. L. PHELPS, Agent. Hongkong, August 16, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
MR. HENRY LISTON DALRYMPLE is authorised to sign our Firm per procuration, at Foochow from this date.  
BIRLEY & Co. Hongkong, June 8, 1868.

**NOTICE.**  
I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the style and Firm of GIFFORD FORBES PARKER. Saigon, December 20, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Undersigned will from this date transact a GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS at this port under the firm of C. D. WILLIAMS & Co.  
C. D. WILLIAMS. Hongkong, November 2, 1868. de3



## Notices of Firms.

**NOTICE.**  
MR RYLE HOLME has been admitted a partner in our firm.  
GLOVER & Co.  
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

**NOTICE.**  
WE have authorized Mr CLAUDE BUDDE to sign our firm from this date.  
DREYER & Co.  
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

**DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.**  
NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership lately subsisting between the Undersigned HUGH McDUGALL, SAMUEL SPEERLEY and JAMES HENDERSON, carrying on business as Engineers and Machinists under the Style or Firm of McDUGALL AND COMPANY is this day dissolved by lapse of time.  
SAMUEL SPEERLEY will sign the Firm in liquidation from this date.  
HUGH McDUGALL,  
By his Attorney S. SPEERLEY.  
JAMES HENDERSON.  
Hongkong, October 10, 1868. 1-n-w. do2

## For Sale.

**NOTICE.**  
For Sale in the Store of the Undersigned.  
Just landed,  
Ex STA. ANNA—  
BEST SHERRY—Amontillado.  
Do. Pedro Jimenez.  
Do. Do. superior.  
Muscatel Wine.  
Sherry, twenty years old.  
Do. Do. superior.  
Jamaica Rum.  
Vinegar.  
Superior Manila Coffee.  
The above Wines are all from Spain and in boxes of 12 Bottles each. All at moderate prices.  
Apply to  
F. A. DE SOUZA,  
Cage Street, No. 24.  
Hongkong, November 26, 1868. de10

**JUST RECEIVED PER "LOUISA."**  
DEVENISH & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE  
PALE ALE BEER.  
Apply to  
G. DUBOST & Co.  
Hongkong, November 9, 1868. de10

**FOR SALE AT EAST POINT.**  
Complete assortment of Lowmoor and Thornycroft PLATE, and SHEET IRON, BAR, ROD, ANGLE IRON and RIVETS, Double Shear, Spring and Blister STEEL, in round, square and flat bars. Babbitt METAL, Muntz Yellow METAL, COPPER PLATE, ROPS and PIPES. GASKETS of every description. Boiler TUBES, Pressure GAUGES, FILES, PACKING and all kinds of Engineer's Supplies.  
RUSSELL & Co.  
Hongkong, September 1, 1868. mar10

## Insurance.

**OFFICE OF THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.**

**NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.**  
NOTICE is hereby given that the ordinary Meeting of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Head Office, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 7th December, 1868, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee together with a statement of accounts to 31st October, 1868.

By order of the Committee,  
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, November 7, 1868. de7

**OFFICE OF THE CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from the 20th day of November to the 5th of December, 1868, (both days included) during which period no transfer of shares shall be registered.

By order of the Committee,  
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, November 7, 1868. de7

**"THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON."**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that in compliance with the requirements of Section Number Fifty of "The Companies Ordinance, 1865," an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Society, No. 12, Praya, on Monday, the Twenty-first day of December next, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of confirming all or any Special Resolutions that may be passed at the Meeting called for the purpose on the Fifth day of December next.

Dated the Thirtieth day of Oct., A.D. 1868.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
ROBERT WATMORE,  
Secretary. de21

**"THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON."**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that, under the Provisions of Article 77 of the Articles of Association of the Society, an Extraordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Society's Office, No. 12 Praya, on Saturday, the Fifth day of December next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of altering the Regulations of the Society by passing certain Special Resolutions numbered from One to Thirteen inclusive, whereby Articles Numbers 23, 58, 71, 76, 77, 78, 120, 121, 139, 140, 145, 147, and 156 of the Society's Articles of Association are proposed to be struck out of and expanded from the Regulations of the said Society and certain other Regulations affecting the Duration, Constitution, Management, and other General Provisions of the Society substituted in lieu and exclusion thereof.

And Notice is also hereby given that a Copy of the proposed Resolutions can be obtained by any Shareholder on application at the Society's said Office in Victoria.

Dated the Thirtieth day of Oct., A.D. 1868.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
ROBERT WATMORE,  
Secretary. de21

## Insurance.

**THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

CAPITAL 2,000,000 DOLLARS,  
in 2,000 Shares of 1,000 Dollars each.

Consulting Committee:—  
GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.  
WM. KAYE, Esq.  
R. HENDERSON, Esq.  
S. D. SARNOFF, Esq.  
F. BUXEY, Esq.  
General Managers, Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Head Office, No. 39, Queen's Road.

**THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,** which expires by effluxion of time in a few months, having proved a highly successful undertaking, it has been determined by a large number of its shareholders to form a permanent Company, under the same management and with increased Capital.

It is proposed to register the Company under the Limited Liability Ordinance, and the amount of the Capital having been fixed at Two Millions of Dollars, it is considered that Insurers will be amply secured thereby, while at the same time each shareholder will know the extent of his individual liability. The capital proposed to be called up amounts to a large sum, and provision will be made for the creation of an ample Reserve Fund, which will, it is expected, in a very short time accumulate to an amount practically to give the fullest security both to Insurers and Insured, irrespective of the unpaid Capital.

It is intended to anticipate the termination of the Old Company, by dissolving it from and after the 31st December next, and insurances are being taken for that purpose. In anticipating a successful career for the New Company, it is only necessary to present to the public the results of the Old Company since its establishment in May 1866, as exhibited by the following figures:—

The total premiums collected from the 11th May 1866 to the present time, a period of only two years and five months, amount to.....\$304,727.72  
The losses which have been paid within the same period have amounted to.....\$130,081.22  
and include the large sum of \$85,270 lost by the Fire at Hongkong in Nov. 1867.  
The amount now at the Credit of the Working Account, after paying all Expenses and Re-insurances to date, exceeds.....\$160,000.00

These figures fully warrant the most sanguine expectations of success, and it is but reasonable to expect that, strengthened with larger Capital, the present undertaking cannot fail to prove at least as successful as the former one. The Old Company, when it entered the field, had to create a business for itself, but the New one, in taking over the outstanding risks and connections of the Old Company, will at once receive a very large amount of premium, and enter on a profitable and organized business. Moreover, there is no doubt that the risk of Fire in Hongkong has been greatly diminished by the Building Regulations now in force, and by the establishment of a Fire Brigade.

The following are the main features of the New Company:—

1. A first Call of \$100, to be paid upon each share on allotment, and a further Call of \$100 to be paid in Six Months; all further Calls to be determined upon at General Meetings of the shareholders.

2. Interest at 12 per cent per annum to be in the first instance allowed on the paid up Capital, such interest to be payable half-yearly, on 30th June, and 30th December. The profits after deducting the said interest to be applied thus:—20 per cent, pro rata, amongst such of the shareholders as shall have contributed or influenced business to the Company, and the remainder in forming a Reserve Fund of \$250,000.

3. When such Reserve Fund shall have been accumulated, the payment of interest to cease, and the profits to be applied thus:—20 per cent to be distributed as already mentioned amongst the shareholders who shall have contributed business to the Company; 30 per cent to the augmentation of the Reserve Fund until it shall reach \$1,000,000, at which figure it is to be permanently maintained; and the remaining 50 per cent to be distributed by way of dividend amongst the shareholders generally.

4. No shareholder to hold more than 250 shares.

5. The Company to be managed by General Managers, with the assistance of a Consulting Committee.

6. The Funds of the Company to be deposited in Banks or in Government Securities approved by the Committee.

Over one half of the entire number of shares has already been taken up. The following is the form of application for shares, which should be filled up and signed by the applicant and left with the General Managers of the Company.  
HONGKONG, 23rd November, 1868.

To the General Managers of the  
"HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED."  
[Address of applicant and date.]

GENTLEMEN,  
I (or we) hereby request that you will allot to me (or us) ..... shares in the above company, and I (or we) agree to accept such shares, or any less number you may allot to me (or us) and to pay the First Call of \$100 per share on allotment, and the Second Call of \$100 per share on the Thirtieth day of June next, as well as any subsequent Calls that may be made, and to sign the Deed of Association whenever required so to do.

Your obedient servant  
The Deed of Association may be inspected at the Office of the General Managers, or at the Office of Mr HENRY C. CALDWELL, the Solicitor of the Company.  
Hongkong, November 25, 1868. ja26

**HAMBURGH & BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE CO.**

**THE** Undersigned are now authorized to accept Assurance against Fire at Hongkong, and at any of the open Ports in China, to the increased amount of \$50,000 on one risk.

Wm. PUSTAU & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, November 8, 1868. de10

## New Advertisements.

**GENERAL WEEKLY AUCTION.**

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, on

**FRIDAY,**  
4th inst., at Noon,  
The following GOODS, namely:—  
An Invoice of Coward's Oilman stores, including:—

Mustard, Salad Oil, Vinegar, Pickles, Sauces, Capers, Lemon Syrup, Raspberry Vinegar, Jams, Candied Peel, Currants, Tapioca, Pearl Barley, Arrowroot, Oatmeal, Maccaroni, Yarrowitch Blotter, Turkey Figs, Almonds, Bacon, Cheese, Etc., Etc.  
36 Octagon Clocks, Clock-Springs and Keys.

10 kilidarkins Porter.  
A few silicated Carbon Filters.  
50 cases Vieux Cognac.  
50 doz. Cologne Water.  
1 4-wheeled Racing Boat.  
2 cases Pickled Salmon.  
A few hides English Sole Leather.  
100 pieces good red Paint.  
Sundry remaining Stock.  
(The property of a Firm closing their Business in Hongkong.)  
Etc., Etc.  
Terms of Sale.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17. All lots with all faults and errors of description at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.  
Hongkong, December 1, 1868. de4

**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

**THE** Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

**THURSDAY,**  
the 3rd December, 1868, at 12 o'clock, at his Sales Room, Commercial Bank Buildings, on

20 Toilet sets complete.  
25 cases Allsopp's Beer.  
2 cases ea. 1 doz. tins Baked Peas.  
14 cases each 1 doz. tins Preserved Peaches.  
4 cases each 1 doz. tins Peach Butter.  
5 barrels Pork.  
30 piculs Coconut Oil.  
12 dessert Knives.  
12 dessert Forks.  
12 table Knives.  
1 pair Carving Knife and Fork—35 sets.  
50 doz. Lavender Water.  
6 gilt frame Mirrors 29 x 44 inch.  
6 " " 25 x 37 " "  
6 " " 24 x 35 " "  
4 doz. 10-inch Scissors.  
4 doz. 9-inch " "  
50 doz. Electro-plated dessert Spoons.  
25 doz. " table " "  
15 doz. " Forks.  
15 doz. " dessert " "  
45 doz. cards "Children's Knives, Forks and Spoons.  
104 boxes fancy Soaps.  
100 gross patent safety Matches.  
12 Overland Trunks.  
Etc., etc., etc.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer.  
Hongkong, December 1, 1868. de3

**TO LET.**

THE Corner HOUSE, No. 22 A, in Gage Street, containing six Rooms with Commodious Room and Godowns attached. Water and Gas laid on.

For particulars, apply to  
H. PESTONJEE & Co.,  
At Messrs P. & A. C. CAMARER & Co.'s Office,  
Queen's Road.  
Hongkong, December 1, 1868. ff

**STORAGE.**

THE Undersigned are prepared to receive PLECE GOODS on Storage in their "First Class" Granite Godowns at  
B. MACGREGOR & Co.  
Hongkong, November 24, 1868. ff

**TO LET.**

With Immediate Possession,  
TWO Two-Storeyed Granite GODOWNS at Wanchi, adjoining the Timber Yard of the Union Dock Company.

Apply to  
LANDSTEIN & Co.,  
Hongkong, November 23, 1868.

**NOTICE.**

ALL Persons having claims against the Estate of the late JOHN CLARK, deceased, Acting Assistant Surveyor General, are requested to send in particulars of same on or before the 31st day of December next, to  
F. I. HAZELAND,  
Solicitor.  
Hongkong, November 29, 1868. de31

**THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given, that in compliance with the Companies' Ordinance, 1865, an Extraordinary Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Company, situate at No. 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, on Wednesday, the Sixteenth day of December next, at the hour of Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of confirming all or any Special Resolutions that may be passed at the Meeting called for the purpose on the First day of December next.

Dated the Twentieth day of Nov., 1868.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers. de16

**ANDREW MILLAR,**

**HOUSE, SHIP, & STEAM-BOAT PLUMBER, COPPERSMITH & BRASSFOUNDER.**  
No. 1, Queen's Road East, and Nollah Lane.  
Hongkong, October 28, 1868.

## New Advertisements.

**CHRISTADELPHIAN SYNAGOGUE,**

No. 3, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.  
HOSE in Hongkong, who have become Christians, by believing the things concerning the Kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ" (Acts viii-12) and being thereafter immersed in water in obedience to Apostolic Commandment (Acts ii-38).

**MEET EVERY SUNDAY.**  
In the morning at 11 a.m. for the breaking of bread, and for worship, and in the evening at 7 o'clock, for the proclamation of the truth.

N.B.—Christadelphian means "Brethren of Christ," and is adopted by those acknowledging a distinction between the ordinary "Christians" who in the estimation of the former, are departed from the faith of Christ, and turned into fables (2 Tim. 4-4).

LOOKING FOR HIS APPEARING.  
Hongkong, November 20, 1868. de20

**FAWCETT & Co.,**

**WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS,**  
GENERAL STORE KEEPER, AND COMMISSION AGENTS,  
Wynndham Street, Hongkong.

**NOTICE.**

ON and after the 1st November, 1868, BOARD and LOBBY—BOARD or LOBBY—OR STAIR BED ROOMS, FURNISHED or UNFURNISHED, can be had at the House formerly known as the ORIENTAL HOTEL. Board and Lodging, \$50 per Month. For further particulars, apply to  
FAWCETT & Co.,  
Hongkong, October 30, 1868. ff

**F. DA CUNHA & Co.,**

FROM PORTUGAL,  
GOLDSMITHS AND WATCHMAKERS  
Also,  
REPAIRERS OF ORGANS & OTHER MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.  
68, WELLINGTON STREET,  
Late Central Police Station,  
HONGKONG.

Terms moderate. A share of patronage of the liberal community is requested.

A lot of fine Organs for sale.  
Hongkong, November 16, 1868. ff

**MORRIS'S DIRECTORY FOR CHINA**

**JAPAN AND THE PHILIPPINES,**  
&c., &c., 1868.

**THE** Undersigned begs to announce that the first volume of the above work will be published early in January 1869, and he requests that the schedules addressed to the different residents be returned as soon as possible and that all foreigners lately arrived in China will kindly send their names for insertion without delay.

Orders will be received by and copies can be obtained from Messrs DUNN & Co. Swatow, Messrs GILES & Co. Amoy, Messrs HEDGE & Co. Poochow, Shanghai Recorder Office Shanghai, Japan Times Office Yokohama, Messrs OASE & Co. Nagasaki, F. ALGAR, Esq., Clements Lane, London, and Messrs J. STRATMAN & Co. San Francisco.  
J. B. MORRIS,  
Hongkong.

N.B.—All advertisements must be sent in not later than 15th November.  
Hongkong, October 19, 1868.

**WANTED.**

ONNAGE to Amoy for 300 to 400 Tons of Dead Weight.  
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.  
Hongkong, October 21, 1868.

**NOTICE.**

DOCUMENTS Translated, at reasonable rates, from English, French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese or German into Chinese, or from Chinese into English. Address,  
"The China Mail" Office,  
2, Wyndham Street, Hongkong.

**SAYLE & Co.,**

**VICTORIA EXCHANGE,**  
QUEEN'S ROAD.

**RESPECTFULLY** solicit inspection of their New GOODS, in the following Departments.

**SILKS.**  
Evening Dresses—Velvets.  
**RIBBONS.**  
Lace—Fancy Dresses.  
**HOSIERY.**  
Gloves—Trimnings.  
**HABERDASHERY.**  
Mancheater—Prints.  
**MANTLES.**  
Shawls—Jackets.  
**BONNETS.**  
Millinery—Ladies' Outfits.  
**BABY LINEN.**  
Gentlemen's Hats—Gloves.  
**HOSIERY.**  
Cloths—Tweeds.  
Tailoring in all its Branches.  
**PERFUMERY, &c.**  
Household Linens—Blankets.  
**CARPETS.**  
**FURNISHING DRAPERY,**  
Etc., Etc.

P.S.—The Dress-making, Millinery and Tailoring are under the Superintendence of experienced West End hands.  
Hongkong, November 12, 1868.

**GEORGE GLASSE,**

(FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO) KINGSFORD & Co., PICCADILLY LONDON, AND 28, PLACE VENDOME, PARIS)

**ENGLISH AND FOREIGN CHEMIST.**  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY, HONGKONG.

**SHIP'S MEDICINE CHESTS**  
SUPPLIED & REFITTED.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1867.

## New Advertisements.

**JOHN THOMPSON & Co.,**

**DISPENSING & ANALYTICAL CHEMISTS**  
AND  
**SODA WATER MANUFACTURERS.**

Ships' Medicine Chests supplied and refitted.  
"TEETH EXTRACTED."  
INTERNATIONAL DISPENSARY,  
23, Wellington Street,  
Hongkong.

Hongkong, May 9, 1868.

**EASTLACK & WINN,**

Surgeon Dentists,  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

**SAILORS' HOME, WEST POINT.**

Trustees,  
Hon. W. KESWICK, FORBES, Esq.  
" JOHN DENT, H. G. THOMPSON, Esq., R.N.

Directors,  
Hon. H. B. GIBB, W. MACAULAY, Esq.  
G. J. HELLAND, Esq., D. SASSOON, Esq.  
G. HEARD, Esq., Rev. W. R. BEACH.  
W. LEMMON, Esq., J. J. MURRAY, M.D.  
Committee of Management,  
Hon. W. KESWICK, Chairman.  
W. MACAULAY, Esq., H. G. THOMPSON, Esq., R.N.

**DONATIONS** of Books, Periodicals, Newspapers, Clothes, &c., will be most thankfully received.

A. OVERBURY,  
Superintendent,  
Hongkong, October 20, 1868.

**General & Commission Agents**

NAGASAKI.

**LATEST SHIPPING.**

**ARRIVALS.**  
Dec. 1, Gazelle, N. G. brig, 198, Green, Tientsin, Nov. 10, General—CARLOWITZ & Co.  
Dec. 1, Milton, Brit. ship, 1254, Smith, Bangkok, Oct. 21, 28,000 piculs Rice.—Order.

**PASSENGERS.**  
The following European passengers left this Canton, yesterday:—  
(None recorded)  
The following European passenger arrived here from Canton to-day:—  
Mr T. F. Cordes.

**SHIPPING REPORTS.**  
The North German brig *Gazelle*, from Tientsin, reports squally weather and strong N.E. gales all the passage down. The N. German schooner *Adeline* was to leave Tientsin 2 days after *Gazelle* for this port.

The British ship *Milton*, from Bangkok, reports the first part of passage on leaving Bangkok fine weather, on coming to Palawan passage had much rain and cloudy weather, then strong N.E. monsoon till arrival in port; off Balaba Island saw a vessel on shore on South Point, had a gale from W. S. W. to N. W. off Manila, on 26th Nov., spoke the American ship *Cutler* from Cardiff bound to Hongkong; on 28th Nov., off Bolinao Point, saw an American steamer steering to S.E.

**CARGOES.**  
(From the Canton Customs Daily Returns.)  
Summary of Imports and Exports passed at the Canton River Steamer Office during the week ended 21st November.

Imported per *Kinshan* and *Poyang*, from Hongkong:—  
219 bales Bengal Cotton.  
242 bales Bombay Cotton.  
192 bales Native Cotton.  
147 bales Cotton Yarn.  
82 bales Quicksilver.  
169 pigs Lead.  
4 chests Patna and Malwa Opium.  
8 bales Elephant's Teeth.  
64 baskets Fruit.  
34 bales Wax.  
32 packages Jade Stone.  
15 baskets Peas.  
23 packages Medicines.  
4 cases Ginseng.  
21 cases Tobacco.  
4 packages Nankeen.  
134 cases and bales Cotton Goods.  
48 cases and bales Woollen Goods.  
89 packages Sundries.

Exported per *Kinshan* and *Poyang* to Hongkong:—  
215 cases and bales Fine Silk.  
177 cases Silk Piece Goods.  
236 cases Punjun.  
11 bales Silk Refuse.  
6 cases Shawls, Handkerchiefs, &c.  
450 bags Sugar.  
38 tons (160 piculs) Cassia.  
28 cases Kittysols.  
47 cases Umbrellas.  
51 cases Glass Bangles.  
124 cases Paper.  
45 boxes Glass Bells.  
132 boxes Preserves.  
8 packages Chinaware.  
19 tons Tea.  
396 packages and parcels Sundries.

Additional per *Shan Lee*, cleared for London:—  
170 boxes Congou Tea.  
2,000 boxes Gunpowder Tea.  
2,621 boxes Scented Orange Pekoe Tea.  
10,795 boxes Scented Capar Tea.  
14 boxes Souchong.  
10 bales Coccons.  
114 bales Silk Refuse.  
59 bales Fine Silk.  
630 rolls Matting.

Summary of Imports and Exports, into and from the Canton Custom House, by the Native Craft during the week ended 22nd November.

Imported from Hongkong:—  
142 piculs Alum.  
93 cases Barley.  
993 bales Retinents.  
1483 bales Chaff.  
125 bags Coko.  
156 bales Cotton.  
66 bales Cotton Seeds.  
706 bags Red Dates.  
48 bags Fish Skins.  
43 baskets Fish Maws.  
145 bags Flour.

Exported to Hongkong:—  
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## Insurance

**LIFE ASSURANCE.**  
THE Undersigned have received Authority by a recent Mail to issue LIFE POLICIES for amounts not exceeding £1000 without reference to the Head Office as previously required by the Board.  
**ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,**  
*Agents Royal Insurance Company,*  
Hongkong, January 6, 1866.

**NOTICE.**  
THE Undersigned having received extended limits from THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY are now authorized to issue Policies against FIRE as follows, viz. On any one first-class Building, or on goods stored therein — in Hongkong, £10,000; in Macao \$45,000.  
**ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,**  
*Agents Royal Insur. Company of Liverpool,*  
Hongkong, June 17, 1864.

**REDUCTION  
IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM FOR  
FIRE INSURANCE.**  
THE Undersigned have (as already intimated in their Circular dated 14th Oct. last) received authority from the Secretary of the ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY to Reduce the rate of Premium under certain circumstances, on PRIVATE RESIDENCES and on FURNITURE and Effects, as follows:  
In cases of DWELLING-HOUSES situate in the Town, the rate of Premium will be Three-quarters per Cent. in place of One Cent. per Annum as hitherto charged; and in cases of Residences, so situated, be detached or semi-detached, the rate will be further reduced to One-half per Cent.  
The Royal's Annual Rates for FIRST-CLASS GOODS on the various classes of Buildings at their contents will therefore remain as before, until further notice, viz. —  
Attached and semi-detached,  
*Dwelling-Houses* (removed from the Town) and their Contents ..... ½ per cent.  
*Semi-Detached Dwelling-Houses* (situated in private situations) and their Contents ..... ¾ per cent.  
*First Class China Houses* and their Contents ..... 1½ per cent.  
Other Risks as per special arrangements.  
**ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,**  
*Agents Royal Insurance Company,*  
Hongkong, November 9, 1866.

**CANTON MARINE ASSOCIATION  
OF SHANGHAI.**  
A DIVIDEND of 6 per Cent. Eight per Cent. has been declared on the net amount contributed by the above Association for the Year ending 30th September, 1867.  
Policy holders will please send in particulars of their contribution to that date to the Undersigned.  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Hongkong, September 8, 1868.

**PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY  
OF SAN FRANCISCO.**  
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, ON BUILDINGS AND GOODS, at current rates.  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Hongkong, February 6, 1867.

**ATAVIA SEA & FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY.**  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies against SEARISKS, at current rates.  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Hongkong, April 1, 1866.

**HONG-KONG TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION  
OF SHANGHAI.**  
THE Undersigned, having been appointed Secretaries and Agents of this Association, are prepared to issue Policies on Marine Risks at current rates of premium. The same may be made payable in London, New York, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong, Foochow and Shanghai.  
In addition to the usual brokerage this Association returns to the assured of each year or at the close of each current year, 15 per cent of the profits of the company for every policy divided pro rata to the amount of premium paid by each policyholder.  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Hongkong, March 2, 1867.

**PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY  
OF SAN FRANCISCO.**  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above Insurance Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks, at the current rates.  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Hongkong, July 6, 1866.

**SAMARAN SEA AND  
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF  
SAMARANG.**  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Macao for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the current Rates.  
**RUSSELL & Co.,**  
Macao, August 4, 1866.

**DE OOSTERLING  
SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COM-  
PANY OF BATAVIA.**  
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Companies are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks on the above terms.  
**SIEMSEN & Co.,**  
Hongkong, August 1866.

**NOTICE.**  
**NORTH ASSURANCE COMPANY,  
LONDON** after this date the following Rates will be charged for Short Periodurances:—  
Exceeding one month, ..... 1/2 of the Annual rate.  
One month and under one month, ..... 1/4 of the Annual rate.  
Under one month and not exceeding 15 months, ..... 1/8 of the Annual rate.  
Under 15 months and not exceeding 6 months, ..... 1/4 of the full annual rate.  
Under 6 months, ..... 1/8 of the full annual rate.  
**J. TURNER & Co.,**  
Agents,  
Hongkong, Apr. 1st 1867.



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Destination.	Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Consignees.	Intended Despatch.
<b>CHINA &amp; JAPAN PORTS—</b>				
NINGPO	Madura*	N. G. bk. Siemens & Co		
SHANGHAI	Erli King	Br. str. A. Heard & Co		
Do.	China	N. G. bk. Siemens & Co		
Do.	Phase	Fr. str. Messageries Impariales		
YOKOHAMA	Shaftesbury*	Br. str. Russell & Co		
Do.	Condor	N. G. bk. Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Do.	Marion	Br. bk. Siemens & Co		
<b>OTHER PORTS—</b>				
LONDON	John Lidgett*	Br. sh. Thomas & Mercer		
Do.	Shutles*	Br. bk. Deacon & Co		
NEW YORK	Merida	N. G. bk. A. Heard & Co		
Do.	Sterling*	Am. bk. Clyphant & Co		
Do.	Louisa*	Br. sh. Russell & Co		
MELBOURNE & SYDNEY	Joshua Bates	Br. sh. Rosario & Co		
SAN FRANCISCO	Schiller	N. G. sh. A. Heard & Co		
BOMBAY	Mary Mildred	Br. sh. Douglas Lapraik & Co		
SAIGON	Evangeline	Br. bk. E. S. Walker & Co		
Do.	Bengali	Fr. bk. L. Atkinson & Co		
JAPAN	Dumb	N. G. bk. Arnold, Karberg & Co		
SURINAM	Veritas	Br. sh. John Burd & Co		
Do.	Veritas	Br. sh. Turner & Co		
HAVANA	Vistula	Ru. sh. Landstein & Co		

\*At Whampoa.

†At Canton.

### MEN-OF-WAR IN HONGKONG HARBOUR.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Tons.	Captain.
Bouncer	British	gun-boat	3	230 Rodney M. Lloyd, Lt. C.
Drake	British	gun-boat	3	230 In ordinary.
Flamur	British	naval hospital	—	230 Attached to Melville
Grasshopper	British	gun-boat	3	230 In ordinary.
Hardy	British	gun-boat	3	230 In ordinary.
Kienchan	French	gun-boat	4	400 Ohaavin
Le Brethon	French	gun-boat	3	300 Barriere
Leven	British	gun-vessel	3	300 Orford S. Cameron Lt. Cmr.
Meeanee	British	Military Hospital	—	2601 Hospital ship
Melville	British	naval hospital	—	Geo. B. Hill, D.I.C.
Persius	British	steam-sloop	15	905 C. E. Stevens, Commander
Princess Charlotte	British	receiving ship	14	2443 Commodore Oliver J. Jones
Princess Clotilde	Italian	corvette	14	2400 Raschia, Commander.

### CHINESE GUN-VESSELS IN CANTON WATERS.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Tons.	Captain.
An-lan	Chinese	gun-vessel	7	221 Goddard
Chen-to	Chinese	gun-vessel	7	221 Edwards
Ching-teing	Chinese	gun-boat	4	Bessard
Chin-hai	Chinese	gun-boat	6	Deind
Fai-long	Chinese	gun-boat	5	Francis
Sui-tang	Chinese	gun-boat	3	180 Stewart
Tien-po	Chinese	gun-boat	6	De Longueville

### HONGKONG, MACAO AND CANTON

#### RIVER STEAMERS.

Vessel.	Flag.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners or Agents.
Dragon	British	117	Stephenson	P. & O. S. N. Co
Fama, (110 H. power)	Do.	380		H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Fire Dart	Do.	466	Benning	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Kin Shan	Do.	617		H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Kin Klang	Do.	60		H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Litlin	Do.	46		H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Litlin Orphan	Do.	46		H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Poyang	Do.	278	Cary	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Prince Albert	Do.	180		H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Sir J. Jeejeebhoy	Do.	101		H. & W. Dock Company's Tug
Spark	Amer.	140	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co
Speed	Do.	140	Wilson	Thomas Hunt & Co
White Cloud	British	280	Carroll	H. & W. Dock Company's Tug

\*Repairing at Hongkong.

### RECEIVING SHIPS & HULKS.

Name.	Flag.	Rig.	Tons.	Captain.	Owners.
Chase	P. M.	ship	283	Mason	Harbour Master (Gunpowder)
Fort William	British	ship	1000	Townsend	P. & O. S. N. Co
Grothe	Do.	ship	650	T. West	A. MacDonnell
John Adam	British	barque	318	Dennis Daly	Water Police
Kim Joo Hong	Do.	ship	288	O'Ryan	McDonald & Co

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八便所如有楊時地  
號是請貴往主名國  
英至客拿夫英  
十本欲加路國  
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## SHIPPING IN HARBOUR

### HONGKONG.

Consignees of Vessels will greatly oblige by forwarding corrections of errors in the following list.

Exclusive of To-day's Arrivals, Departures, and Clearances.

G. on Pedder's Wharf.—W.O., from Pedder's Wharf to Gibb's Wharf.—E.C., on Pedder's Wharf to the Military Hospital.—E., Eastward of the Hospital.—K., on Kowloon side.

#### Merchant Steamers.

Vessel's Name and Where Anchored.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
<b>1868.</b>							
Dupleix	W.O. Noel	Feb. str.	1900	26	Messageries Impariales		
Ellora	W. Murray	Brit. str.	1679	Sept.	28 P. & O. S. N. Co	Shanghai	
Erli King	W. Finel	Brit. str.	1044	Nov.	24 A. Heard & Co		
Ganges	W.O. Cates	Brit. str.	1200	Nov.	28 P. & O. S. N. Co		
Kwang Tung	W.O. Cates	Brit. str.	438	Nov.	27 Douglas Lapraik & Co	East Coast	
Phase	W.O. Cates	Span. str.	1200	Nov.	27 Douglas Lapraik & Co	Manila	
Pinto	W.O. Cates	Feb. str.	730	Nov.	24 Messageries Impariales	S'hai & Y'hama	
Sultan	W.O. Cates	Brit. str.	880	Nov.	27 P. & O. S. N. Co		
Venus	W.O. Cates	Amer. str.	677	August	30 A. Heard & Co		
Yung-hai-an	W.O. Cates	Amer. str.	447	October	19 Russell & Co	For Sale.	

#### Merchant Sailing Vessels.

Vessel's Name and Where Anchored.	Captain.	Flag & Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
1869.							
Anne	E. Patzie	Brit. sch.	304	Nov.	22 John Burd & Co		
Assens	W. Jensen	Dan. sch.	252	Nov.	14 Captain		
August	W. Hockreuter	Siam. bk.	470	Sept.	14 Chinese		
Jatavia	W. Hartzar	N. Ger. bk.	466	Nov.	29 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Songali	E. Etienne	Feb. bk.	432	October	30 Lammet Atkinson & Co	Saigon	
Jertha	W. O. Wagner	N. Ger. bk.	224	Nov.	23 Order	Singapore	
Jallao	E. Lavarello	Salv. sh.	1440	Nov.	17 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Carolina and Ita	W. Jonson	N. Ger. bk.	400	Nov.	20 P. & O. S. N. Co		
Castle	W. Nisted	Siam. bk.	274	Nov.	4 Chinese		
Catharine	E. Drischer	Dan. bk.	320	Nov.	29 Order		
Bliss and Havane	E. Robert	Feb. bk.	715	Nov.	14 Order		
Christine	W. O. Christensen	N. Ger. sch.	173	Nov.	22 Wm. Pustau & Co		
City of Niagara	W. Mitchell	Brit. sch.	102	Nov.	27 Landstein & Co		
Joris	W. O. Leund	N. Ger. bk.	800	Nov.	20 Arnold, Karberg & Co		
Jondor	W. Hansen	N. Ger. bk.	379	Nov.	25 Bourjau, Hubener & Co	Yokohama	
Yontest	W. Reynolds	Siam. bk.	390	Nov.	26 Chinese		
Courier des Mers	E. Launeurs	Feb. bk.	413	Nov.	6 Arnold, Karberg & Co		
Crusier	W. Hausmann	Siam. bk.	466	October	30 Chinese		
Dioscuren	W. O. Wagner	N. Ger. bk.	300	Nov.	28 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Douglas	W. Morrison	Brit. sh.	540	Nov.	25 Bosman & Co	San Francisco	put back
Edgar Ross	E. Bender	N. Ger. bk.	275	October	16 Siemens & Co		
Enterprise	W. Kross	Siam. bk.	438	Nov.	18 Siemens & Co		
Emeralda	W. Kappelmann	N. Ger. bk.	400	Nov.	20 Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Evangeline	W. O. Adam	Brit. bk.	441	Nov.	4 R. S. Walker & Co	Saigon	
Faithful	W. Hanesch	Brit. bk.	279	Nov.	17 Siemens & Co	Ningpo	
Finsel	E. Hloke	Brit. bk.	487	Nov.	18 E. Schellhaas & Co	Bangkok	
Fortune	W. Dohrosen	Siam. bk.	447	Nov.	23 Chinese		
Friendship	W. Klindt	Siam. bk.	480	Nov.	26 Chinese		
Garibaldi	E. Bouff	Brit. sh.	825	Nov.	25 John Burd & Co		
Gipsy	E. Siemens	Brit. bk.	265	Nov.	20 Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Golden Horn	E. Rice	Brit. sh.	1140	October	20 A. Hogg & Co		
Goliath	W. Silva	Siam. bk.	542	August	19 Chinese		
Handy	W. Hanson	Siam. sh.	543	Nov.	22 Chinese		
Heaporus	W. O. Spring	N. Ger. bk.	214	Nov.	29 Arnold, Karberg & Co		
Jan Van Galen	E. Goan	Dut. bk.	336	Nov.	30 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Japan	W. Hoyer	N. Ger. bk.	216	Nov.	24 Arnold, Karberg & Co	Saigon	
Johanna Mathilde	W. Lohse	N. Ger. bk.	600	Nov.	14 Siemens & Co		
Joshua Bates	W. Devlin	Brit. sh.	560	Nov.	9 Rozario & Co	Melbourne and Sydney	
Kelo	W. Vavell	Brit. bk.	536	Nov.	30 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Kvik	W. Larango	Nor. bk.	174	October	31 Siemens & Co		
Leen Fa	W. O. Collinson	Brit. bk.	286	October	10 Order		
Lyemsoon	E. Sorensen	Brit. bk.	425	Nov.	27 Burrows & Co		
Macao	E. Marales	Salv. sh.	222	Nov.	27 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Maggie	E. Bowman	Brit. sch.	222	Nov.	28 Order		
Malvina Vidal	E. Kassal	N. Ger. sh.	650	Nov.	21 Siemens & Co		
Marian	W. Page	Brit. bk.	400	Nov.	18 Siemens & Co	Yokohama	
Maria	W. Benzien	N. Ger. bk.	213	Nov.	23 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Maria	K. Klircke	N. Ger. bk.	450	Nov.	27 E. Schellhaas & Co		
Martha	E. Haje	N. Ger. bk.	221	Nov.	29 Melchers & Co		
Mary Mildred	W. Flory	Brit. sh.	465	October	8 Douglas Lapraik & Co	Bombay	
Merida	W. Valbortie	N. Ger. bk.	250	October	26 A. Heard & Co	New York	Immediate
Mexicana	E. Jeffries	Brit. bk.	276	October	28 Hogg & Co		
Mikado	E. Libery	Brit. sh.	646	Nov.	15 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Mikado	W. O. Lempert	N. Ger. bk.	340	Nov.	24 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Mobil	E. Barg	N. Ger. bk.	380	Nov.	23 A. Heard & Co		
Montal	W. O. Coerbe	Feb. sh.	1004	Nov.	14 Order		
Nadessa	K. Forman	Russ. sh.	526	October	12 Landstein & Co		
Naworth Castle	E. Lunklatzer	Brit. bk.	348	Nov.	22 Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Navarino	W. O. Paddon	Brit. bk.	408	Nov.	31 Landstein & Co		
Neva	K. Onate	Russ. sh.	1400	October	28 Landstein & Co		
Nina	K. Mesquita	Port. sh.	1089	August	26 Birley & Co		
Nuananu	E. Hager	Hawa. sch.	160	Nov.	26 Melchers & Co	Yokohama	put back
Ocean	E. Nuryne	Feb. bk.	525	Nov.	5 Russell & Co		
Omba	W. O. Thomson	Brit. sh.	836	October	5 John Burd & Co	Surinam	Immediate
Parsee	W. O. Soule	Amer. bk.	540	October	30 Bosman & Co		
Patricia	W. Christieansen	N. Ger. bk.	410	Nov.	24 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Paul Riquet	K. Genevieve	Feb. bk.	438	Nov.	15 Carlovitz & Co		
Princess Seraphi	W. Kofoed	Siam. bk.	454	Nov.	16 Chinese		
Princess Somowaty	W. Foske	Brit. sh.	982	Nov.	1 Borneo Company		
Prosperity	W. Varrath	Siam. sh.	604	October	19 Chinese		
Race Horse	W. Kruss	Siam. sh.	887	Nov.	23 Chinese		
Rapid	W. Carlos	Siam. bk.	429	Nov.	23 Chinese		
Rebecca Goddard	E. Maunson	Amer. bk.	415	Nov.	2 Arnold, Karberg & Co		
Rocket	W. O. Dill	Amer. bk.	384	Nov.	23 A. Heard & Co		
Roslin Castle	K. Alexander	Brit. sh.	644	Nov.	20 Douglas Lapraik & Co		
Santa Anna	W. Gavito	Span. bk.	409	Nov.	20 Remedios & Co		
Schiller	W. Harbers	N. Ger. sh.	1113	Sept.	11 A. Heard & Co	San Francisco	Early
Sea Forth	W. Hanson	Siam. bk.	318	Nov.	16 Chinese		
Stanley	W. O. Daught	Russ. sh.	2000	Nov.	20 P. & O. S. N. Co		
Taffaretta	W. Rocher	Feb. bk.	399	Nov.	28 Russell & Co		
Tanilton	W. Hogg	Brit. bk.	687	Nov.	3 Gilman & Co		
Taylor	W. Luis	Siam. bk.	472	Nov.	15 Chinese		
Trakhi	E. Keer	N. Ger. bk.	250	Nov.	23 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Three Brothers	W. Gale	Brit. bk.	383	Nov.	24 Yung Chap Poon		
Uracus	W. Schoof	N. Ger. bk.	263	Nov.	30 Wm. Pustau & Co		
Veritas	W. Ingram	Brit. sh.	692	October	7 Turner & Co	Surinam	Early
Vishula	W. Burkitt	Russ. sh.	635	Nov.	2 Landstein & Co	Havana	
Wajis	E. Gounie	N. Ger. bk.	245	Nov.	27 Siemens & Co		
Whitehall	W. O. Marsh	Brit. sh.	990	Nov.	22 Holliday, Wise & Co		